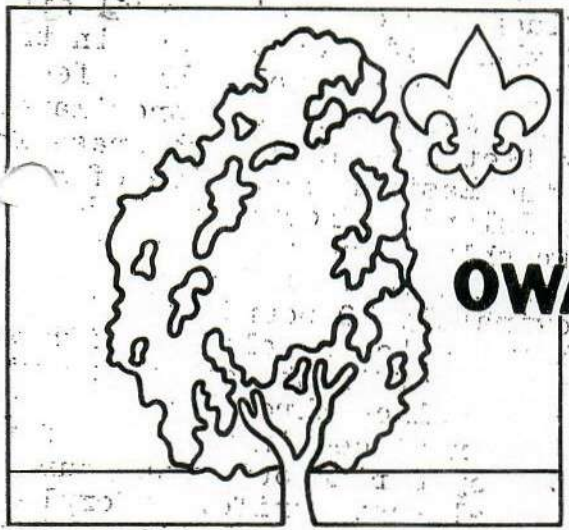




THE TREE

OWASIPPE SCOUT RESERVATION

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The 1974 National Standard inspection is now history. To quote John Dunham-Region camping committee member and chief of this year's inspection team-"Owasippe is a National Standard camp and a model for other camps in our region." That statement should sum up the inspection. (Ed. note-there are well over 100 items), but we were rated as an outstanding camp.

The purpose of the National Standard inspection is to not necessarily "rate" a camp, but instead to evaluate and assist the council in planning for the best camp operation for its scouts. I am proud of each staff member and the way you conducted yourself during the inspection. Your conduct, your performance, and your abilities were noted by our visitors. WELL DONE!

PRESIDENT CARLEN VISITS OWASIPPE

Chicago Area Council President, Ray Carlen, also President of Ryerson Steel, visited the Reservation in conjunction with the National Standard inspection this past week. Mr. Carlen expressed his satisfaction with the improvements to camp program and facilities and the morale and spirit of the Reservation-wide staff.

TENNIS COURT GROWS

The new double tennis court at Family Camp is slowly coming into being. Land excavation is now completed and concrete work should be completed before the end of the week.

PROGRAM IMPROVEMENTS

Along with the new tennis courts being constructed at Family Camp, other camps have had success in other areas of new camp program. Wolverine North reports of the appearance of King Posiedon at its first water carnival. North also maintains that it has used up two tether ball cords due to the use by scouts. Super Camp Stuart (Hey!) has initiated a new program of senior patrol leaders' breakfast on Monday morning where they are given a briefing on what's to happen in camp during the week and then given the opportunity to plan a camp-wide activity for Friday afternoon. So far things look real good. Also new in the weekly program at Stuart is a Tuesday Scoutmaster's roundtable where refreshments are prepared by the staff and the leaders have an opportunity to informally air gripes, compliments, and suggestions for the future.

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Since Family Camp was three miles away and transportation was by "Shank's Mare," (that's walking in case you didn't know) and no other women folk were around everything was o.k.

Other choice chores are revealed in some of the Museum's literature. Drop in and see for yourself.

CROWN-SAUGER CHAPEL SITE SELECTED

The location for the new chapel for Camps Robert Crown and Sauger Lake has been selected. This chapel, donated by members of the Owasippe Lodge, Order of the Arrow and named in memory of Stone Soderstrom, a dedicated Scouter, will be constructed near the junction of the two camp roads in the present picnic site overlooking Lake Wolverine. The picnic site will be relocated. Construction is scheduled to begin in August.

IT COULDN'T BE DONE

Upon arriving to Stuart, Camp Director John Kennedy found the waterfront intact, but no pier. The lake water level had risen to a point where the water pressure lifted the planks off of the pier. Volunteer carpenter and Executive Board member, Tony Krier, looked at the situation and devised a plan of reconstruction. It took the cooperation of Ed Black, Maintenance, Ad Center, and the Super Camp Stuart Emergency Rescue Squad to put things back in order. Our hats are off to a great job done by one of Chicago's great volunteers, Tony Krier.

LORD BADEN POWELL AND TETHER BALL

Imagine if you will, the approach B-P would take in initiating sports into the first scouting program:

Go into the woods and procure two dead spars, clean of bark and branches. Lash the spars with a shear lashing, as if constructing

a flagpole for one's patrol site and then position upright in the ground approximately three feet down. Weave a line approximately six feet long from bush grass found on the Eastern coastline of Brownsea Island. Procure a bladder from a freshly slaughtered cow and lace it with sinew. Inflate with approximately 10 pounds of air. Tie a bowline to the bladder with woven rope and affix the other end with an eye splice through a hole which has been placed in the top of the spar, by boring out with your official scout knife. (Complete kit available from National Supply Cat. #37859.)

STUART AND NORTH ON TOP

At the end of first period, Super Camp Stuart led the way in the total number of camp canoe trips with seven, followed closely by South with 4. In outpost camping Wolverine North sent a resounding number of 23 during the first week. With that, a Wolverine North Commissioner will receive an outpost patch.

The first two weeks have seen some exciting prospects for continued outpost camping. Reports from scouts returning after having taken two or three outposts in are very favorable. It's up to the commissioners and staff to promote all outposts so they can work.

CAREERS IN SCOUTING

Sometime during the summer, many staffers may inquire about a possible career in the Boy Scouts. With these inquiries may come questions concerning education in college. This Tuesday night at 7:30 p.m. in the Ad Center building, there will be a meeting to cover these points. Some of the professional staff from Chicago working at Owasippe and a representative from American Humanics will have literature available and will answer questions.

DICK WILSON BACK IN FORM

The TREE is very happy to welcome Dick Wilson back to the ranks of the working after having to take a forced leave of absence due to illness. Hope all is going well for Dick and his family.

SPORTS STARTING TO GO

A recent meeting with representatives from each camp brought forth a few ideas for inter-staff competition during the summer. Among ideas presented was to go with water polo again, volleyball, and maybe softball. Each camp is now supposed to be putting together championship teams to represent them on the field of combat.

MOMMY WRITES ON

The TREE has received a lovely letter from MOMMY telling us that if any of this year's Owasippe staff has anything to get of his or her chest, MOMMY will receive their letters, c/o Family Camp. First letters will be printed in the next issue.

MOVIE SCHEDULE IN MONTAGUE

The Park Theatre in Montague has announced its tentative movie schedule for the rest of the summer. All adult admissions are \$1.50 and the first show is at 7:00 p.m. followed by a second show (starting time depends on the length of the show.) Below are a listing of the coming attractions.

July 10-16	Serpico
July 17-30	The Sting
July 31-	World's Greatest
Aug. 6	Athlete
	Snowball Express
Aug. 7-16	Sugarland Express
Aug. 11-13	M.A.S.H.
Aug. 14-17	The Three Musketeers
Aug. 18-20	Conrack
Aug. 21-24	Sound of Music
Aug. 25-27	To be Announced

Questions concerning showtimes can be answered by calling the theatre

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Family Camp has, through the efforts of Mary Beth Accardi, started an outdoor program on an experimental basis for girls over 8 years old. The program includes a cookout, overnight camp out, and Friday includes instruction on how to build terrariums.

MUSEUM NOTES

We were looking at the daily schedule for the early Owasippe campers. It seems that the scouts were awakened by the beautiful notes of the bugle blowing (re-villie) at 6:00 a.m. Arising, they "streaked" ala natural to the beautiful waters of Crystal Lake. Plunging into the crystal waters brought the scouts suddenly "mentally awake" thereby complying with the second part of the oath.

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NEW PROGRAMS FOR PHILIPPINE

SCOUTING

The Boy Scouts of the Philippines celebrated its Golden Jubilee last 1973 with a jamboree held in Makiling attended by about 21,000 Scouts all over the country and from other countries including the Far East Council, Boy Scouts of America.

With more than 1,500,000 members at present, the Boy Scouts of the Philippines has different programs to suit different ages and programs as follows: CUB SCOUTING, BOY SCOUTING, SENIOR SCOUTING which covers three sections LAND (Explorer), AIR (Air Scouts) and SEA (Sea Scouts), ROVER SCOUTING and the ROVERETTE (for ladies who are directly involved in Boy Scouting activities.)

The advancement ranks are as follows: TENDERFOOT, SECOND CLASS, FIRST CLASS, MAGINOO SCOUT and JOSE RIZAL SCOUT (in honor of the National Hero).

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